(*b*) the number of *razinamas* received by Government;

(*c*) the extent of land resumed to Government for non-payment of kandayam? (Information to be furnished for the past 10 years.)

A.—The CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT (Mr. A. V. Ramanathan).—

(*a*) to (*b*) *Vide* statement annexed.

Mr. MEER MOHAMED SAHIB.—Are any steps taken to convert *bechirak* villages into *chirak*?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Land revenue rules provide for that; but the question can arise only if people apply.

Mr. MEER MOHAMED SAHIB.—Will the Government show any concessions to the raiyats who may apply, by way of special loans, etc.?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Loans will not convert *bechirak* villages into *chirak*. The tendency is for people from the villages to migrate into the cities, and certainly not to go to *bechirak* villages. However, if anybody applies, concessions may be shown as far as possible.

Mr. MEER MOHAMED SAHIB.—In view of the large number of resignations of lands, will the Government issue a circular that concessions would be shown to the applicants under the large landed estates rules?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—There are rules providing for special concessions in *bechirak* villages. Even if lands have been resumed for non-payment of kandayam they will be restored to the original *khatedars* on payment of the arrears.

Mr. MEER MOHAMED SAHIB.—Are the *razinamas* due to the present economic conditions or to any other cause?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—It is not possible to ascertain the particular causes.

Abolition of Toll-gates.

Q.—37. Mr. G. P. RANGAPPA (Honnali Taluk).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) is it a fact that it was the intention of Government to abolish all the toll-gates in the State;

(*b*) has the Mysore Traffic Board adopted the procedure which is in vogue in Bombay and Madras Presidencies or a different procedure?

A.—The GENERAL SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT (Mr. M. Venkatesa Iyengar).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) What procedure the member refers to is not clear.

Mr. G. P. RANGAPPA.—Has Mysore followed the Madras system or Bombay system in regard to tolls? Have not tolls on motor cars been abolished in Madras?

Mr. M. VENKATESA IYENGAR.—We have independent rules for our own State.

Mr. S. K. VENKATARANGA IYENGAR.—Why did the Government adopt all other rules of Madras making an exception only in regard to tolls on motor cars?

The FIRST MEMBER (Rajamantrapravina S. P. Rajagopalachari).—There has been no wholesale adoption of the rules either from Madras or from Bombay. Whichever rule was considered suitable to our conditions has been adopted and others left out. The general principles of the Motor Vehicles Regulation were discussed in the Assembly and the Bill based on those principles was passed by the Legislative Council. In fact, there is a special chapter about levy of tolls and the rates enforced are just those approved by the Legislative Council.

Mr. S. K. VENKATARANGA IYENGAR.—Is the provision relating to tolls merely an enabling provision or is it an obligatory one?

Mr. S. P. RAJAGOPALACHARI.—The member knows it himself.

Mr. Rattehalli RAMAPPA.—What was the reason for not abolishing the tolls as in Madras?

Mr. S. P. RAJAGOPALACHARI.—Tolls already existed here and they have merely been continued. Tolls yield so much revenue which Government can ill-afford to sacrifice.

Mr. Rattehalli RAMAPPA.—Have

not the Government re-opened certain toll-gates that had been abolished?

Mr. S. P. RAJAGOPALACHARI.—Yes, in particular cases.

Mr. B. S. PUTTASWAMY.—Are the Government aware that the Madras Government is contemplating to re-impose the tolls?

Mr. S. P. RAJAGOPALACHARI.—I hear so.

Sugar Factory in Shimoga Taluk.

Q.—38. Mr. V. V. IYER (Shimoga Taluk).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) is it not a fact that people are urging for opening a sugar factory in Shimoga Taluk to improve their economic condition; what action has so far been taken on their representations;

(*b*) is it a fact that, before Mandya Factory was started, crop loan was given to the raiyats to encourage sugar-cane cultivation?

A.—The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (Mr. M. Venkatanaranappa).—

(*a*) Yes. A committee has been appointed to examine the question and their report is now under the consideration of Government.

(*b*) No.

Mr. V. V. IYER.—With reference to answer to (*a*), what is the purport of the report?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—Sorry, I cannot summarise the report here.

Mr. V. V. IYER.—When was the report received?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—About 2 or 3 weeks ago.

Mr. V. V. IYER.—Are the committee in favour of opening a sugar factory there?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—That will be known when the orders of Government are passed on the report.

Mr. V. V. IYER.—Are the Government aware that as a result of construction of the Bhadra Channel, sugar-cane cultivation has increased by 50 to 60 per cent?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—Perhaps that matter also is dealt with in the report.

Mr. V. V. IYER.—Until a factory is opened in the Shimoga Taluk, will the Government kindly arrange for exporting the sugar-cane grown there to the Mandya Factory?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—That question is under consideration.

Mr. Tudki RAMANNA GOWDA.—Were there any non-official members on that committee, and if so, who were they?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—Yes; Messrs. H. Siddaiya, T. G. Narayana Iyengar and N. Rama Rao and possibly one another.

Mr. Tudki RAMANNA GOWDA.—Did the committee include any representatives of the agricultural interests?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—Yes, and the Director of Agriculture was on the committee.

Mr. V. V. IYER.—How many meetings or sittings did the committee hold and who were the witnesses examined by them?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—I want notice; but I may say that Mr. V. V. Iyer himself was one of the witnesses examined.

Mr. Y. V. GUNDU RAO.—Was the investigation taken up with a view to improving the economic condition of the tract?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—Partly so.

Mr. Y. V. GUNDU RAO.—Will the Government similarly consider the question of opening sugar factories in other areas which are economically poor and where sugar-cane cultivation can be encouraged?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—Notice.

The Three Per Cent Loan.

Q.—41. Mr. Rattehalli RAMAPPA (Sagar Municipality).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) what is the object of raising 3 per cent loans;

(*b*) what is the total amount of loan required;